CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 99-004

RESCISSION OF SITE CLEANUP REQUIREMENTS (ORDER NO. 94-071) FOR:

ARATEX SERVICES, INC., AND HANLEY MURRAY

for the property located at

918, 920 AND 942 CHESTNUT STREET SAN JOSE SANTA CLARA COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (hereinafter the Board), finds that:

- 1. Regional Board Orders: The Board adopted final site cleanup requirements for this site on June 15, 1994 (Order No. 94-071). The site is also under General NPDES Permit Order No. CAG912003, for discharging treated groundwater to the Guadalupe River.
- 2. Summary of Investigation and Remediation Activities: Aramark (successor in interest to Aratex Services, Inc.) has operated the groundwater extraction and treatment system since April 1992, the product recovery system since April 1993, and the soil vapor extraction system since January 1993. To date, the groundwater extraction and treatment system has recovered 10.7 million gallons of groundwater. Approximately 1,879 lbs of hydrocarbons have been removed as a result of the groundwater extraction activities, the product recovery system and through the operation of the SVE system.

In summary, 99.9 percent of the contaminant mass recovered to date was removed during the first four years of system operation. Less than 3 lbs of hydrocarbons, or 0.1 percent of the total mass extracted, have been recovered during the last 18 months of system operation.

- 3. Basis for Rescission: As a result of system operation, total petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations in groundwater are stable or decreasing with time. The contaminants of concern at this site are aerobically biodegradable, and as such, residual levels of contaminants remaining in groundwater will continue to decrease as a result of natural biological activity occurring in site soils and groundwater. Given the results of quarterly and semi-annual monitoring, post extraction, and existing levels of TPH in groundwater there is no need for further remedial actions or groundwater monitoring. The case should be closed.
- 4. CEQA: This action rescinds an order to enforce the laws and regulations administered by the Board. As such, this action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15321 of the Resources Agency Guidelines.

5. Notification: The Board has notified the discharger and all interested agencies and persons of its intent under California Water Code Section 13304 to rescind site cleanup requirements for the discharge, and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written comments.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to Section 13304 of the California Water Code, that Order No. 94-071 is rescinded.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the dischargers shall properly close all monitoring and extraction wells consistent with applicable local agency requirements, and shall document such closure in a technical report to be submitted to the Board within 30 days following the completion of closure activities.

> Loretta K. Barsamian Executive Officer

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ORDER MAY SUBJECT YOU TO ENFORCEMENT ACTION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO: IMPOSITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY UNDER WATER CODE SECTIONS 13268 OR 13350, OR REFERRAL TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF OR CIVIL OR CRIMINAL LIABILITY